

## **REMARKS**

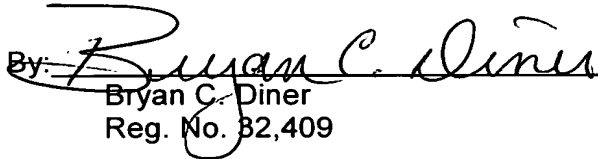
By this Amendment, Applicants have amended claims 1-11. The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies and typographical errors and to conform the claims to U.S. practice. The claims were not narrowed by these amendments. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider this Preliminary Amendment prior to examination of the application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Attachments: Abstract**